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House Resolution No. 2916

Whereas, as the 2004-2005 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

Whereas, the North Kansas City School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty on Mary 27, 2005, with the retirement of Mary L. Kirkpartrick who has devoted several years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as an educator; and

Whereas, Mary Kirkpatrick has taught for twenty-one years at North Kansas City, where she is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, currently a sixth grade communications arts teacher, Mary Kirkpatrick has served the North Kansas City School District as a pre-school, third, and fifth grade teacher, and as a member of the Site Council and CTTN; and

Whereas, Mary Kirkpatrick has watched her pupils grow, develop, and mature through the knowledge she has imparted to them both as a teacher and as a friend; and

Whereas, so many young Missourians have left the classrooms of the North Kansas City School District fully prepared to face the challenges ahead as a result of the outstanding professional endeavors of Mary Kirkpatrick; and

Whereas, Mary Kirkpatrick has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include her husband, Thomas Kirkpatrick; one son, Brian Kirkpatrick; one daughter and son-in-law, Erin and Mike Fenley; and one granddaughter, Madison Sue Fenley:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join the North Kansas City School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Mary Kirkpatrick has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mary L. Kirkpatrick, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by	
	Representative Jerry Nolte
	District No. 33

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2916, adopted May 4, 2005.